Rain today, followed by fair in the afternoon; tomorrow fair.

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# GRIDIRON CLUB'S

The President the Most Distinguished Guest.

FUN FAST AND FURIOUS

From the Very Beginning of the

Be Done in a Jiffy.

All this occurred at the New Willard Ho tel, where the Gridiron Club held its twenty-first annual dinner. It was one of the most novel of entertainments ever given by this notable organization of newspaper men and was attended by one surprise after another and by features of sarcastic wit and happy allusion which kept the guests in a gale of merriment for four hours. Perhaps the most striking surprise of the whole affair was the decoration of the great banquet hall where the dinner was held. All the features of the occasion centered upon the construction of the Panama canal, and that theme ran through the entire entertainment from beginning to end. Smalls had decorated the hall to carry out the illusion

When the guests left the assembly room, instead of entering the conventional banquet room with its festoons of smilax they found themselves in a narrow maze of palms, greens and tropical plants. The maze wound around so that its exit was not visible. On and on the guests went until a sudden turn brought into view a won-derful scene. They were in the plaza at Panama. They had stepped from Washing-

wded lose with its d rushes. lights. The scene was transcendently beautiful and the guests were charmed into

### March to the Banquet Room.

the banquet hall, playing the air "When Johnny Comes Marching Home." Behind them came twenty members of the club. attired in blouse and jumpers and carrying shovels and pickaxes. By prearrange-ment the guests fell in behind and the whole company marched into the banquet hall singing

"We're going to dig the big canal,
Hurrah! Hurrah!
We're going to dig the big canal,
In Pana-ma!
In Panama we work tonight,
We'll do some digglin' before it's light,
And there'll be no more shemanigan when
The dirt begins to fly.

Hurrah! Hurrah!
Will have to get an extra hunch,
In Pana-ma!
We've got the shovels, we've got the stuff.
And all can see we've got men enough,
To dig—dig—dig—dig—Here in Papama.

"They say there's been extravagance In Pan-a-ma! They say there's memories of France In Pan-a-ma!

"Magoon is bound to take no rest, Hurrah! Hurrah! He really likes the climate best In Pan-a-ma! But then, you know, within the zone The pay is better than back at home,

"So line up, boys, and get to work,
In Pan-a-ma!
Don't let the world think that we'll shirk
In Pan-a-ma!
And when Magoon goes marchin' home
You can bet the job is surely done,
So here's to the dig-get boys
A diggin' in Panama."

a-tingle and feet a-shuffle until finally the pent-up enthusiasm found vent in a great

round of applause.
Once in their seats the guests were welcomed in appropriate remarks by the new president of the club, Mr. Richard Lee Fearn; the great electric gridiron was flashed, the waiters bustled in and the dinner was on. The ceremonial toast to the President of the United States was drunk standing, and the one rule of the Gridiron Club was announced, namely, that at a

Gridiron dinner "Reporters are never present; ladies—constructively—always present. While the company was attending to the soup a disturbance arose that for awhile distracted the attention of every one from the viands. A charter member of the club, who is over from London, where he is officially exiled, arose in his seat and com-plained bitterly of the soup. He exhibited considerable feeling in voicing his protest

"What's wrong with the soup?" indig-nantly demanded a member of the enter-

"Well, I submit that this is not the place nor time to lay your complaint."



Plans for George Washington **Buildings Approved.** 

THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS

Project for a National Institution Made Possible.

SUCH AS WASHINGTON DESIRED

Hall of History, Library, Hall of Politics and Diplomacy and

Others.

Permanent approved plans for the various halls of the George Washington University and the George Washington Memorial to be erected by the association of ladies organized for that purpose upon the university property at Van Ness Park have been shown in New York city and in Washington during the past week.

The union of the Memorial Association with the Columbian University early in 1904 has, it is believed, made possible the project of a national university such as

Washington planned.
This group will be thoroughly in accord with the best public architecture of Washington, the plans having been drawn by Messrs. George B. Post & Son of New York. It will include, in addition to the Memorial ouilding, to be erected by the George Washington Memorial Association, a hall of his tory, containing the library; a hall of poli-tics and diplomacy, the Corcoran Hall of Philosophy, the hall of physics, the hall of chemistry and the alumni hall. These buildings are so disposed as to give particularly interesting facades toward both the Presidents' park and the Potomac park, and at the same time yield a large internal

The placing of the Memorial building, which includes the offices of administration, on the corner of 17th and B streets, facing the Washington monument, gives a particularly pleasing corner, one which of the Van Ness group of buildings, but also of the possible additions thereto, which in the future may be thought necessary.

Memorial Hall.

The memorial hall, which, as above stated, is the key to the whole group, will have a beautiful portico of twelve Corinthian columns, surrounding the memorial to Washington. A graceful dome of classic outline will cover the auditorium which is to be placed in this building. The main cornice of this building gives the height of the cornice of the related buildings: the interdependence of these buildings; the interdependence of these buildings is further shown by the covered portico which connects each building with the adjoining ones. Their individual character, however, is admirably maintained while preserving the general academic character of the group. They are also admirably subordinated to the principal focal

point in the composition.

The plans have been made upon a basis of expenditure of \$20,000,000, and with the enlarged purposes of the institution as a graduate institution, looking to the gradual affiliation of many colleges like those of Oxford, it is thought by the governing board that the buildings must be monumental in character.

The memorial building is so situated at the northwest corner of 17th and B streets that it looks out directly upon the monu-ment across the President's park. It is particularly fitting that the memorial which has been for so long a period the aspira-tion of the George Washington Memorial Association should be thus placed, in prox-imity with the great monument to the memory of the father of his country and so near the Memorial Continental Hall of the Daughters of the Revolution.

Plans Exhibited.

The plans were completed during the past week, and were shown to the members of the Memorial Association at the home of New York, last Monday. Mrs. Archibald Hopkins, president of the association, on that occasion read from a number of speeches of Washington his expressed de-sire for an institution like the one about to be erected. It is thought that the general plan is well in line with the plans of

Washington himself.
The group will be all within the limits of the present Van Ness Park, bounded by 17th and 18th streets on the east and west and by C and B streets on the north and Virginia avenue cuts off the southwest corner of the square, and the placing of Memorial Hall facing the angle of the southeast corner contributes to the making of a symmetrical shaping of the lot as a semi-octagon, which adds much to the attractiveness of the buildings to be erected

est length and entrance is on C street, and its dignified rectangle presents only a side view to 17th street. Next is the Hall of Politics and Diplomacy, a square which, with the Hall of History, also a perfect square on the southwest side of the great central Memorial Hall, form a symmetrical trio very pleasing in their classic balance. Beyound the Hall of History, which faces the south, the Corcoran Hall of Philosony looks out to the southwest, the river and Arlington, and in itself, though smaller, corresponds to Memorial Hall.

Two more buildings on 18th street, the Hall of Physics and of Chemistry, duplica. But he was insistent and demanded that the manager of the hotel should be called to explain. In order to avoid a scene the (Continued on Third Page.)

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PAID TO REPORTERS.

the following statement today with reference to the correspondence given out at sel for Nelson Morris & Co., had paid out money to two newspaper men in an attempt to procure a biased report of the court proceedings.

rect or indirect, coming to us of this alleged incident was received from the press of this morning. This is said with authority on behalf of every person connected with the Armour house, as well as myself. Moreover, any statement or suggestion from any source that any efforts whatever have been at any time made or countenanced by us, directly or indirectly, 'to polson the public mind by the dissemination of false and misleading statements' or tion of false and misleading statements' or in any other way with respect to the at-tacks of the government upon the packers is baseless. We have at all times been the victims of the poison

"If the carefully staged method resorted to of presenting this alleged incident to the public at a time when the current trial in the court here is going on appears obvi- Part III-Magazine ... affect this trial to our prejudice, we should the least opportunity before such publica-tion of showing that we had no connection with the incident or knowledge or intima-tion with respect to it during the three or four weeks that the representatives of the government claim to have knowledge of it. fore Judge Humphrey at his rooms' Mr. New English Parliament...... Morrison did not inform us thereof, or give The Greene-Gaynor Case......

Edward Morris of the firm of Nelson Morris & Co. also gave out a statement "denying positively and unequivocally that News of Neighboring States. 10 any one connected with Nelson Morris & Co. knew anything whatever about the occurrence and had absolutely no connection

"The first time that I or the packing company I represent heard or knew anything about this matter was from this morning's papers. The charge or intimation that the money gifts made had any relation whatever to the trial or case of the packers is

She and Her Fiance Guests at a Phil-

PHILADELPHIA, January 27-Miss Alice Roosevelt and Representative Nicholas Longworth, her flance, were guests at a testimonial dinner tendered tonight by Isaac H. Clothier to Lloyd C. Griscom of this city, recently appointed ambassador to Brazil. While not exactly a participant at the banquet in Mr. Griscom's honor, Miss Roosevelt was present during the speechmaking and was entertained at an informal dinner in an adjoining room by Mrs. Isaac H. Clothier. Before and after the dinner Miss Roosevelt was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clement A. Griscom at their country home, "Dolobran," at Haver-

Representative Longworth, who was accompanied from Washington by Represen-tatives Grosvenor and Payne, responded to a toast, the subject of his address being a bill which he recently introduced in Congress providing for the establishment of permanent residences for American diplo-

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., January 27 .-With an immense hole stove in her port quarter, the barge Kingston arrived here today from New York with the barge Coal King, from Providence, both in tow of the tug Edward Luckenback. The Kingston

was in collision with the barge Beuna Ventura, also in tow of the Luckenback, off Cape Charles lightship at 4:30 o'clock Friday morning. A heavy sea and nasty rain was falling at the time, and it is said that that was the cause of the collision. The Kingston was badly damaged, but the Beuna Ventura was only slightly injured.

Marquis Ito on Philippines Sale. PENANG STRAITS SETTLEMENT, along its sides.

The first building reached after passing the D. A. R. Hall is the Alumni Hall at the corner of 17th and C streets, Its great-January 27.—Baron Suymatsu, son-in-law rumor of the possibility of the sale of the Philippine Islands to Japan, derided the notion. He said he believed the policy of the United States was akin to imperialistic and she was not likely to part with the Philippines, as it would greatly diminish the influence and prestige of the United States in the far east.

> Big Order for Equipment. PHILADELPHIA, January 27 .- The Wabash Railroad Company has placed an order for sixty locomotives with a local firm of locomotive builders. The engines are to be of the prairie type, and are intended for de-livery during the current year. They will be used to replace old locomotives destroyed or discarded.

## TALKED ON PHILIPPINES.

PROPOSED GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS.

Representative McKinlay a Guest at Norfolk Club Dinner.

BOSTON, January 27 .- Representative Duncan E. McKinlay of Santa Rosa, Cal., and a member of the party which last summer visited the Philippines, was the guest of the Norfolk Club at its annual dinner at the Hotel Brunswick tonight. Mr. Mc-Kinlay spoke at some length upon the Philippines. He said that the only just criticism that can be made of the American administration of the Philippine affairs is that the government there is too completely organized and too expensive for the needs of the country.

He spoke of the visit of a party to the Island of Cebu, where the American flag was flying over the grave of the old explorer, Ferdinand Magellan, and he expressed the hope that the flag would one day give freedom and the possibilities of civilization to the people of the islands.

He believed, however, that to deliver Manila over to the people there would be a blot upon civilization. He thought that the feeling of the majority of the republic lican party, of which he was a member, was that the government must take a firm stand and give the people a certain meas-

### THE STAR TODAY.

The Star today consists of six parts, as

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LATEST DETAILS OF THE UPRIS-ING-MOSCOW CASUALTIES.

ST. PETERSBURG, January 27.-Beyond the fact that the revolt at Vladivostok is not subdued and that the mutinous sailors and soldiers are still standing by the guns at the Holy Innocents' battery, the war office had nothing to give out today regarding the situation at the fortress. The only further news available was a newspaper dispatch, dated January 26, stating that two squadrons of the Nertchinsk Regiment of Cossacks har arrived and that many arrests had been made. The war office officials said that their own information practically duplicated yesterday's news dispatch. From the absence of news it is concluded that Gen. Mode, who is temporarily in command of the troops, is awaiting the arrival of Lieut. Gen. Mistchenko, who is expected at Vladivostok today, before venturing on serious measures against the mutineers.

The seizure of arms by the mutineers January 22 was a sequel of a street fight in which a number of sailors of the Siberian

contingent were killed Languid Interest of Public.

The public takes only a languid interest in the latest mutiny. The papers today merely print the news, which had no effect on the bourse, without comment. The American embassy has not received any report from the consul at Vladivostok, and The government has been advised from Irkutsk, Siberia, that a number of officials and employes of the general offices of the Trans-Baikal railroad have been arrested on the charge of being implicated in ab-stracting from a government munition train 1,000 rifles, 1,000 revolvers and 10,000 cartridges, and giving them to the revolution-

Explosives Found.

A search was instituted for the cartridges, during which many of the rifles were recovered. The authorities also discovered nine bombs.

A large number of summary searches and arrests have occurred of late at Tsarskoe-Selo. The store of a Jew druggist named Abramovich was ransacked, but no seizures were made. The police say the affair was unimportant and that they merely desired to keep an eye on all suspects in the immediate neighborhood of the emperor.

The plot at Moscow revealed by the arrest of the pseudo Princess Koslovska January 18, however, was found to be really serious and to have wide ramifications intended to encompass the death of Gov. Gen. Doubasoff of Moscow and all his staff at the blessing-of-the-water ceremony.

The authorities are convinced that the revolutionary leaders have eliminated uprisings and street fighting from their program for the time being in favor of terrorisi attempts against high officials, and have al-ready succeeded in breaking up several conspiracies in embryo.

Casualty Reports Disproved.

terday alone amounted to \$6,500.

ent disproves the exaggerated reports of the | bert A. Wray, a daughter of Col. Mann. casualties and bears out the moderate estimates. The burial permits in which the cause of death is given as killed during the uprising number 454. In addition there were more than a hundred private burials of of death was concealed owing to the reluctance of influential families to have the real facts made public.

On account of the fact that there is no British consul at Vladivostok to represent the British shipping interests in prize court cases C. A. Spring-Rice, the charge d'affaires of Great Britain, has requested the Russian government to permit the American consul to represent Great Britain

THE ALLEGHENY BANK FAILURE Dominie Tried to Get President to Give Him Facts. PITTSBURG, Pa., January 27 .- The

Rev. A. C. Dieffenbach, pastor of the Reformed Church of the Ascension of Allegheny, who has recently carried on a corconnection with the failure of the Enterprise National Bank of Allegheny, made public a letter today which he received from the President's secretary, William Loeb, jr., and which contained a report made to President Roosevelt by Attorney General Moody concerning the investigation now in progress and the probability of prosecuting persons alleged to be respon-

prosecuting persons alleged to be responsible for wrecking the institution.
Following is the letter:
"The White House, Washington, January 23, 1903. My Dear Sir: Referring to your letter of recent date concerning the failure of the Enterprise National Bank of Allegheny, Pa., I beg to state that the President took the matter up with the attorney general, who reports as follows:
"The affairs of this bank are being investigated by Mr. Moxey, who is probably the most skilled and efficient examiner whose services are at our disposal. The bank was looted and the records destroyed. It is looted and the records destroyed. It is exceedingly difficult, therefore, to ascertain the facts with sufficient accuracy to justify the beginning of criminal action and it would be very unwise to give out any statement until we know exactly the situation.

The Rev. Mr. Dieffenbach asks for information which I think it would be highly improper to furnish now. As the result of laborious investigation we hope, eventually, to prosecute the parties who were responsible for wrecking the bank. Very sponsible for wretains truly yours, WILLIAM LOEB, JR., "Secretary to the President."

# VLADIVOSTOK REVOLT COL. MANN ARRESTED

Town Topics Editor Charged With Perjury.

IN \$10,000 BAIL

Outcome of Testimony in the Hapgood Trial.

DAUGHTER FURNISHED BONDS

Specific Charge is He Swore Falsely in Denying His O. K. on a Certain Letter.

NEW YORK, JJanuary 27 .- Col. William D. Mann, editor of Town Topics, was arrested late today on a charge of perjury growing out of his testimony in the recent criminal libel proceedings against Norman Hapgood, editor of Collier's Weekly. Col. Mann was arrested in



Colonel Mann.

his offices at 452 5th avenue by a detect-The government is disposing of the cases | ive of District Attorney Jerome's staff. of those arrested before January 22. Most He ordered his automobile, and with the of them are being fined for carrying re- officer drove down town to the criminal volvers. The receipts from this source yes- courts building, where he was arraigned before a city magistrate and held in \$10,000 An investigation of the cemetery records ball for examination next Thursday, Febby the Novoe Vremya's Moscow correspond- ruary 1. Bail was furnished by Mrs. Al-

The specific charge against Col. Mann, as stated in the warrant for his arrest, is that he swore falsely in the Hapgood trial in denying that an initialed "O. K." on a letter from Count Reginald Ward to Moses executed revolutionists whose actual cause | Ellis Wooster, a solicitor for Fads and Fancies, was his own. The letter from Count Ward to Wooster was offered in evidence by Mr. Hapgood's counsel. It referred to certain paragraphs that were to appear concerning the count, and asked that he be put on the regular "posting list of Town Topics."

This request was underlined in the original of the letter and a line drawn from it lead to a circle in which was marked "O. K., W. D. M." Col. Mann, when shown this letter while a witness in the Hapgood trial, said he had not placed his initials upon it.

Action Result of Conferences.

The criminal action against Col. Mann followed a day of conferences at the district attorney's office, participated in by Robert J. Collier, James W. Osborne, who respondence with President Roosevelt in acted as counsel to Norman Hapgood; Moses E. Wooster and a handwriting expert.

> Justice McAvor, sitting as a magistrate, was waiting at the criminal courts building to act in Col. Mann's case. The colonel was represented in the proceedings by his son-in-law, former State Senator Albert A. Wray, as counsel.

When formally arraigned Col. Mann said he did not know what the charge against The warrant, covering three pages of typewritten legal cap paper, was read. It related the incidents leading up to the Hapgood trial, the introduction of the Count Ward letter and the denial of the initials by Col. Mann.

Asked for an Early Hearing. Col. Mann asked for an early hearing,

saying he would prefer that the case should saying he would prefer that the case should go on tomorrow. Assistant District Attorney Hart objected to coming into court on Sunday, and next Thursday's examination then was agreed upon. When it came to the matter of bail Senator Wray asked that Col. Mann be paroled in his custody as counsel.

The district attorney's office objected vig-

The district attorney's office objected vigorously to this plan, Mr. Hart declaring the charges were so serious he would have to ask that at least \$10,000 bail be required. Counsel for Col. Mann then asked that a nominal ball bond of \$1,000 or \$2,000 be accepted. Justice McAvor upheld the request (Continued on Second Page.)

# OVERSTUDY DRIVES STUDENT CRAZY

FIVE CENTS

pen Commits Suicide

IN NEW YORK APARTMENTS

Son of Rear Admiral Van Rev-

Was a Law Student in Columbia University.

LEFT NOTE FOR HIS FATHER

Asked Forgiveness of His Parents for Rash Act He Then Con-

templated.

While suffering from temporary insanity, the result of overstudy, it is believed, William Knickerbocker Van Reypen, son of Rear Admiral Van Reypen, U. S. N., of this city, ended his life yesterday by shooting himself through the head in his rooms at the Mansfield bachelor apartments, New York city. The father and mother of the young man left their Washington home upon receiving the sad intelligence and arrived at New York late last night.

Special Dispatch to The Star.

NEW YORK, January 27.-William Knickerbocker Van Reypen, son of Rear Admiral Van Reypen, U. S. N., retired, shot himself in the head, dying instantly. this morning in his rooms at the Mansfield Bachelor Apartments, 12 West 44th street. The body was found fully dressed, revolver in hand, in an easy chair in the sitting room by one of the hôtel servants. Admiral Van Reypen was notified by telephone at his home, 1021 15th street, Washington, and came on at once with Mrs. Van Reypen. reaching Jersey City late tonight.

Young Van Reypen, who was twentythree years old, was graduated from Yale last June and was in the first-year law class at Columbia. He was well up in his tudies and was preparing for winter examinations, which begin tomor-

Assemblyman F. D. Wells of the twentyninth assembly district, a cousin of the dead man, said tonight that young Van Reypen's mind had undoubtedly been upset by overstudy.
"He told me a few days ago," said Mr.

Wells, "that many of his classmates were extremely clever, and that it would humillate him very much if they should distance Van Reypen was one of the most prominent men in his class at Yale and Columbla. He was business manager of the News, the Yale daily, and was on the editorial staff of the Yale literary magazine.

He was a member of the Psi U fraternity and the Skull and Bones. He was an intimate friend of Capt. Hogan of the foot ball

Van Reypen prepared for college at the Hill School at Pottstown, Pa.

In Cheerful Mood. The young man attended recitations Friday morning in the Columbia library, but was absent in the afternoon. He had an appointment with two classmates at the library for this morning to go over some notes, and his failure to appear surprised them. He went out from the hotel this morning, it was learned, but returned and lingered for some time in the office. According to those who saw him, he was cheerful and went to the elevator whistling. His rooms were on the second floor, where he and E. Spalding, an employe in a downtown office, had occupied a two-room apartment for five months.

Van Reypen's death as soon as the police learned of it, said today: learned of it, said today;
"I reached the Mansfield about I o'clock. The body of the young man, fully dressed, was still warm. There was a bullet wound in the right temple and the revolver was in the right hand. Sergeant Joseph Meehan of the East 51st street station was there, having been notified of the young man's death by Assistant Manager Morris of the Mansfield. While I was there Mansfield. Mansfield. While I was there Mr. Spalding came up from the office where he is em ployed downtown, having received news of the death. He said that his friend did not drink and was free from entanglements of

Coroner Acretelli, who was notified of

any kind, so far as he knew. Letter to His Father.

"I-found a letter addressed to Admiral Van Reypen, in which the young man asked his parents to forgive him. He said that his father and mother had been the best of parents, and spoke of the goodness of his sister. In a postscript he added that he was about to take his life, but not da account of a woman."

Van Reypen evidently had just bought the revolver. Every chamber had been freshly loaded. A wire and bristle cleaner for the weapon was found wrapped in paper on a table in the room. A watch and chain, a seal ring and a pearl scarf pin were found and turned over to his ro

Admiral Van Reypen visited his son only last Sunday. He is the present head of the Red Cross Society, having succeeded Miss Clara Barton. He was surgeon gen-eral of the United States navy, and chief eral of the United States navy, and chief of the bureau of medicine and surgery from 1897 to 1902, when he retired after forty years of service, with the rank of senior rear admiral. He was born at Bergen, N. J., on November 14, 1840, and was graduated from the medical department of the University of the City of New York in 1862. In the war with Spain he designed and fitted out the ambulance ship Solace, the first ever used in naval warfare.

William K. Van Reypen, jr., was well known in this city, where his parents have lived for many years. He graduated last summer from Yale and was taking a course in law in Columbia University, New York. His mother and father returned Thursday from New York, where they had visited their son and, according to a personal friend of the family, they left him in the best of spirits and apparently in the best

The news of the death spread rapidly through Washington, and proved to be a shock to the many friends the young man had here, where he spent his boyhood and to whom he said good-bye at the end of the Christmas holidays, which he spent with his family. Throughout the ten days spent in

# ANNUAL DINNER

Banquet.

DIGGING THE PANAMA CANAL

Illustrated by Gridironers and Secretary Taft Told How the Work Can

The Gridiron Club dug the Panama cana last night. The club took the President of the United States and a distinguished party of men, numbering 235 in all, to Panama, and all hands turned to and finished the canal in a jiffy. It was a case where work was play, and mighty jolly and interesting

ton into the tropics.

The illusion was perfect. Royal palms towered everywhere, their graceful fronds sweeping the celling and bending over in great arches of greenery. Panama trees, loaded with fruit, dotted the landscape and on every side of the clearing the tropic The spicy odor of the plants and of masses of roses made fragrant the warm atmosphere and over all gleamed a thousand incandescent electric

enthusiastic expressions of delight,

The guests gathered in the assembly room adjacent to the grand banquet hall. where they were welcomed by the reception committee and spent a short time in social converse. At 7:50 President Roosevelt arrived and was met at the threshold by the committee. At that moment a signal was given, a strain of martial music was heard and in from the corridors came a section of the Marine Band, the members dressed In the white duck uniform used in the tropics. Headed by Leader Santelmann they marched through the room and into

"Oh, Shonts and Stevens and all the bunch, Hurrah! Hurrah!

But now that we are on the job
The bloomin' old plant will have to throb,
For there's goin' to be some diggin' done
Here in Panama.

wants to see the diggin' begin Here in Panama.

It was an inspiriting scene and every one caught the spirit of the occasion. Away they tramped, two hundred and thirty-five, with great men of the nation in line around the tables and through the maze of tropic foliage singing the refrain and the military band crashing it out above all the voices. The "diggers" lined up in front of the small stage upon which the band took station and carried the song through half a dozen topical verses amidst the unbounded enthusiasm of the guests, who in the meantime were marching to their seats. The old war-time air seemed to thrill the listeners and the roll of the drums and blare of cornets and trumpets set the blood

against serving such soup. tainment committee.
"I don't know, but something's wrong.

## RESENTED BY PACKERS

DENOUNCE STORY OF MONEY

CHICAGO, January 27 .- John S. Miller, counsel for Armour & Co. in the trial now progressing in the federal court, gave out Washington yesterday by the Department of Justice in connection with the charge that former Judge George W. Brown, coun-

"The first knowledge or information, di-

To Affect Trial Against Them.

published this morning." No Connection With Matter.

W. J. Hynes, attorney for Swift & Co., in

preposterous." MISS ROOSEVELT ENTERTAINED.

adelphia Function.

The Kingston Injured in Collision.